



# News Release

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## Annual Health Care for Homeless Veterans Program

**What:** Operation Stand Down 2015 is one part of the Department of Veterans Affairs' efforts to provide services to homeless Veterans and those at risk who experienced major loss during the recent flooding.

**When:** November 6, 2015 @ 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

**Who:** VA and Community Partners for the Homeless Veterans and Civilian Population in the Midlands.

**Where:** Midlands Housing Alliance  
2025 Main Street, Columbia, SC 29201

**Why:** Stand Downs are collaborative events, coordinated between local VAs, other government agencies, and community agencies who serve the homeless.

**How:** Stand Downs typically provide the following services to homeless individuals: food, shelter, clothing, health screenings, VA and Social Security benefits counseling, and referrals to a variety of other necessary services, such as housing, employment and substance abuse treatment.

**Current list of participating organizations:** Disabled American Veterans, Cooperative Ministry, South Carolina Works, VA Medical Foster Home Program, PALSS, USC Supportive Housing Service, VA Region Office Homeless Outreach Homeless Coordinator, Experience Work Inc., Veteran's Affairs OEF/OIF Outreach, VBACMS, VAMC Medical, Wateree Community Actions Inc., American Red Cross, Veterans Affairs Volunteer Services, Vet Center, DHEC, ABBVIE, Immunology Patient Outreach Services, Team RWB, United Way, Retired and Senior Volunteer Program, SC Justice Organization, TN Development, SC Strive Salvation Army, SC Divisions of Veterans Affairs, VAMC Suicide Prevention, AARP Community Outreach, Alston Wilkes, Angel House, Christ Central, Providence House, Columbia Housing Authority, Midlands Fatherhood Coalition, MIRCI, VASATP, SC Legal Services, VAVJO, Health Promotion Disease Prevention Program

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